

Dear Citizen:

My name is Mary Duval, better known as “Rickysmom” (Rickyslife.com). I come to you in hopes you will take a few moments to read this letter and the enclosed packet of information regarding sex offender laws; and the advocacy work I do in order to protect the Human and Civil Rights of all individuals.

You may ask, so who is Mary Duval? It’s quite simple I am the mother of a former registered sex offender. In 2006, living in Iowa, my 17 year old son Ricky was questioned regarding a teen romance he had with a young lady, who misled him about her real age. Without a lawyer, my family and I allowed Ricky to speak to law enforcement, believing “the truth will set you free”. Tragically, it destroyed my son and our family who became the collateral damage to these laws.

Two weeks after speaking to police and learning the young lady was not 15, but actually 13 years old. Ricky was arrested and charged, as an adult on two felony counts of sexual abuse, third degree against a child. This tragic moment even now, as I write, replays in my head. I was shocked, horrified, scared and dealing with feelings of guilt for allowing my child, my son, to talk to the police. Unbeknownst to me then, it would become one of the worst mistakes, which would haunt my family and me today.

Facing hell, with a Public Defender Ricky and I went to court. We were told Ricky would not have to register if he took a plea bargain. Again, we were misled and the District Attorney informed our PD that my child would be required to register for ten years as a sex offender.

If you’re a mother, and you’re reading this, there is no need to explain the feelings I had at that moment when I heard those devastating words. I sat there in shock, sobbing, tears streaming down my face, angry, and horrified the system could treat my child like a “monster”. My son took a plea which required two years probation, sex offender treatment, and under law, ten years registration as a sex offender.

I remember leaving the court emotionally raw and listening to the continuing heart wrenching sobs of my son. I was lost; entering a world, which seemed to be more of a nightmare then reality, assuring him we could do the ten years that the worst was over. Anyone reading this knows how wrong I was once again. Due to harassment, since Ricky’s arrest made the local paper with no explanation on the facts of the case, his stepfather and I decided to pack up and move our family back home to Oklahoma. This is originally where we were from and felt Ricky would need all the support and love he could get facing such a label.

When Ricky and I met with the probation officer and in truth; I think this is when it all really struck me of how my child’s life was over; even though the case file showed he was merely a child himself, and the sex was consensual, heck even the “victim” admitted she lied about her age, my son stood before this probation officer just like any one of his other clients, simply a human life worth no value, because they committed a “sex crime”.

From this moment, I began to research this issue; working hour’s non-stop on the computer, trying to understand the laws, facts, and ultimately the truth. What I learned and experienced propelled me forward to not only fight for my son, but for all those wearing the scarlet letter. Like so many today, I was afraid to fight for justice, but watching my son’s life wither, as he became a shell of a human being. It only made my anger grow at his injustice and my family’s systematic disintegration.

In March 2008 Ricky completed his last polygraph test and I swore to him then I would save his life. My child, couldn’t find work, had been denied graduating high school due to his registry requirements; he couldn’t be around children under 18 of age, which was most of his friends. We had neighbors leaving recorded messages telling me to “get my child rapist out of their neighborhood”. As his mother, I felt as if I was watching him die before me and it only angered me. One night I sat my son down and told him we had to do something. We could take this crap and do nothing or we could go public and educate others about their children’s plight if charged for consensual sex.

My work began as an advocate for those dubbed “Romeo’s” (teens being charged for consensual sex) but as I gained more knowledge I quickly realized how the registry was destroying the lives of individuals and their families. For me it went even further as I began to comprehend the violations to Human and Civil Rights and the total disregard for our Constitution set by our Forefathers.

Over the past two years, with Ricky by my side, I’ve done several interviews with National newspapers, TV and Radio programs including the Associated Press and CNN. I joined a non-profit organization of volunteers working towards reform and am currently presiding as the Chief Executive Officer. I, with the help of other volunteers, operate a National Support Hotline offering hope and resources to registered individuals and their families. I co-host ARC Talk Radio where we discuss not only Human and Civil Right issues, but sex offender laws and the collateral damage to family’s. Ricky and I even traveled to the Julia Tuttle Bridge in Miami, Florida where registered offenders are being forced to live due to the 2,500 ft. residency laws. In 2009 I lobbied in Oklahoma and succeeded in having two new laws passed, which allowed my son to be removed from the registry.

So, some may be asking as they read that last line as to why am I still fighting? Two reasons: 1) The public registry is causing more harm then good. It gives a false sense of security to the public. One cannot tell who is a nonviolent offender. This leaves the registry over bloated causing law-enforcement, who has limited time, money and resources to monitor all non-violent first time offenders. 2) My son may be free in Oklahoma, but he is still not free, due to the federal law known as the Adam Walsh Child Protection Act (AWA) if he ever travels or moves to another state it’s plausible he will be required to register under that state’s statutes. So as I work today at a local, state and national level, I come to you to ask for your help and support to reform these laws. Many politicians hear from the child advocate groups who want tougher sex offender laws everyday, but nothing from our side. Our voices are limited, but together we can change this.

You ask how? Well look through the materials provided and here you will find all the valuable work done by volunteers and donors at SOSEN, who have donated paper, stamps, money, time, and effort to make this outreach possible. I know many individuals and families struggling to survive, but it’s time we unite and advocate for our rights as citizens of this country. Please join me in my efforts, and the efforts of others across this country to reform current laws, which are founded on fact-based evidence.

For more information please feel free to contact our organization at the listed numbers in the material provided.

Respectfully,
Mary Duval (Rickysmom)

We need your help!

SOSEN is an all-volunteer organization; we do not have any paid staff. All donations go directly to our cause. We are also tax exempt; all contributions may be tax deductible.

Please keep me informed:

(Optional & Anonymous)

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Thank you for your support, any contributions provided to our struggle is greatly appreciated and helps us a long way.

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SEX OFFENDER SOLUTIONS & EDUCATION NETWORK
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(918) 575-0193

This letter is being sent to many Registered Former Sex Offenders and their families, to let you know of the local state and national efforts being made to reform the current sex offender laws, and to block proposed laws that will impose further devastation on “offenders” and their families.

SOSEN consists of a group of citizens consisting of family members, Registered Former Sex Offenders and friends of individuals who have been labeled “sex offender,” yet pose no threat to children or the communities in which they live. We do not support existing laws that are devastating entire families and destroying the lives of many affected individuals.

We believe that lifetime registration and public disclosure are counter productive and a violation of human and civil rights. We believe over-blown registries have rendered communities less safe by allowing dangerous offenders to slip through the cracks. We know from our own loved ones that probation and parole conditions are unrealistic and unreasonable for many who have committed crimes of a non-violent status.

We do support carefully structured laws that target violent, forced and/or dangerous predatory acts of sexual abuse/assault.

We hope you will get involved and join our efforts for reform. Please visit our website, and encourage your friends and family to do the same. <http://www.sosen.org> or email us at hotline@thesupport hotline.org. National Hotline: 1-800-773-4319 or 918-575-0193

Our goal is to educate the public, media and our lawmakers as to the devastating effects that “feel-good” laws are having on former offenders and their families, to work together towards legislative reform.

Please contact us through the above listed website or by phone. We would like to start a Family Support Group and work for reform together.

Respectfully,

Mary Duval
Chief Executive Officer
SOSEN Inc.
www.sosen.org

10 MYTHS ABOUT SEX OFFENDERS

MYTH #1: "SEX OFFENDERS WILL ALWAYS KEEP OFFENDING."

MYTH #2: "TREATMENT DOESN'T MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE."

MYTH #3: "THE GREATEST THREAT TO OUR CHILDREN COMES FROM STRANGERS."

MYTH #4: "BANNING SEX OFFENDERS FROM PLACES WHERE CHILDREN CONGREGATE WILL SIGNIFICANTLY PROTECT OUR CHILDREN."

MYTH #5: "TOUGHER LEGISLATION IS THE ONLY SOLUTION."

MYTH #6: "THE ONLY WAY TO DEAL WITH THEM IS PUT THEM BEHIND BARS."

MYTH #7: "MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCES ARE EFFECTIVE AND WILL HELP PROTECT SOCIETY."

MYTH #8: "SEX OFFENDER REGISTRIES ARE NECESSARY TO PROTECT SOCIETY."

MYTH #9: "TRACKING DEVICES ARE A PRACTICAL AND JUST MEANS FOR KEEPING SEX OFFENDERS UNDER SURVEILLANCE."

MYTH #10: "THE EXPERTS SAY THAT STRONG, REPRESSIVE MEASURES ARE NECESSARY TO KEEP SEX OFFENDERS FROM RE-OFFENDING."

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THEIR FIGHT AT SOSEN.ORG OR CALL
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RESOURCES AND LINKS

National & State Support Forums

www.sosen.org

Sex offender research: issues, news and recidivism

www.sexoffenderresearch.blogspot.com

A “one stop shop” for everything related to sex offenders

www.sexoffenderissues.blogspot.com

A comprehensive legal resource site for offenders and their families

www.oncefallen.com

Contact your state affiliate on local issues

<http://reformsexoffenderlaws.org/groups/index.php>

ARC Talk Radio: discussion on sex offender laws

www.arctalkradio.com

Support Hotline: support and resources for registrants and their families

www.thesupporthotline.org

A story of a 16 year old snared into this life of hell

www.rickyslife.com

Meet Brandon a 19 year old sentenced to sixty years

www.freebrandon.org

Don't Talk to Cops- Part 1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i8z7NC5sgik>

Don't Talk to Cops- Part 2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=08fZQWjDVKE>

F.A.S.T.-to help those falsely accused of sexual abuse

www.false-allegations-team.com

A support forum for those with loved ones incarcerated

www.prisonstalk.com

Stop It Now-working to prevent child sexual abuse

www.stopitnow.org

ARC TALK RADIO

www.arctalkradio.com

**“You must be the change you wish to see in the world.” –
Mahatma Ghandi**

Welcome to ARC TALK RADIO! We are here to talk about the TRUTH and not MYTHS on a range of Topics going on around the USA including Civil & Human Rights and Sex Offender Laws and the collateral damage to American Family's.

The Host Kevin and Co-Host Mary Duval have been broadcasting this show for over two years now, and have been actively involved in informing and educating the public on the many problems today with the sex offender laws and registry.

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By computer with chat room:

<http://www.talkshoe.com/tc/29521>

By phone:

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Show Schedule:

Monday- 6:00 p.m. Eastern

Friday- 6:00 p.m. Eastern

(We often have special guests, times and shows)

We at ARC Talk Radio look forward to hearing from you and welcome you
In joining us in this fight!

Want more information on ARC? Please email us at: arctalkradio@gmail.com

It's free to listen and participate (unless calling in then you may be charged for long distance charges depending on your home/cell-calling plan)

POLICE CHECKS

What to do when the feds come to town

A Fact Guide Compiled by Once Fallen
www.oncefallen.com

[NOTE: This fact page compiled from information obtained from both online activist forums and blogs that focused on these issues. The ideas are the intellectual properties of those who penned these words. I merely reposted it on my website for the benefit of those targeted by the police.

It is time for the "Sweeps" -- No, not the TV ratings "Sweeps," the US Marshals sweeps. Formerly called FALCON raids, the Gestapo.. er.. "US Marshals", working with state and local T4 Squads..oops.. "Law enforcement," are conducting nationwide sweeps. It is not uncommon to see regular reports of sweeps or so-called "compliance checks" across the country. They will try to scare you into allowing warrant less searches of your property, including your personal effects and residence. However, if you are NOT on probation/parole, you have the right to refuse them entry.

Below are a few tips posted on a forum that you should keep in mind if the Gestapo come to YOUR door.

- DO NOT sign anything, ever, at your door! No matter how "innocent" it seems. Politely refuse, unless you can speak to your lawyer first.
- DO NOT answer any questions beyond confirming that you are you, and required registration info. Anything else could be used (or twisted) to incriminate you.
- DO invoke the 5th amendment if necessary, but be prepared to be peppered with more questions (What are you hiding? Eh?), and reply only that you want your lawyer present first.
- DO NOT let anyone into your home without a warrant, unless you are still "on paper" and it is required. In almost every state, law enforcement has no right whatsoever to enter a person's home without one.
- DO NOT leave your home while law enforcement is still at your door. You have strong protections in your home, but practically none once you are out on the street. If you have easy access to a camera (cell phone in pocket), take a picture of the group on your porch, or better yet record the whole thing. Many cell phones have a "record" feature for you to talk into. Turn it on and keep it aimed at everyone speaking.

The last one is highly important, in my opinion. Recording media is a registrant's best friend. There are also a number of spy cameras online.

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The Principles of Bills of Attainder

Bills of Attainder, and their lesser version Bills of Pains and Penalties are the one power by which governments have ruled through the ages.

To understand a Bill of Attainder, one needs to piece together definitions from a few cases from the Supreme Court of The United States.

- Congress can only make laws in general applicability.
- Congress cannot choose whom the law shall apply to.
- Congress cannot give or remove any rights that are not equally shared by all.
- Congress cannot use a past action as a trigger for a law.

Bills of Attainder and Bills of Pains and Penalties are forbidden to Congress via the US Constitution.

"No bill of attainder or ex post facto Law shall be passed." Article 1, Section 9 (excerpt). "No state shall enter into any treaty, alliance, or confederation; grant letters of marquee and reprisal; coin money; emit bills of credit; make anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts; pass any bill of attainder, ex post facto law, or law impairing the obligation of contracts, or grant any title of nobility." Article 1, Section 10 (excerpt).

And each individual state has it as a part of their constitution as well. Bills of Attainder (Bills of Pains and Penalties included) are such that they are targeted law against/for an easily definable group of individuals, or an individual. They are not required to name the party they apply to. The "punishment" may be inflicted absolutely, or conditionally. It can come in a civil form, or a criminal form. Their creation usually comes not from one overt act, but a series of subversive acts that accumulate over time. Statutory Schemes are used to implement such laws.

The simplest definition that I've been able to come up with is: "Any targeted law that provides for unequal benefits, or attempts to remove a right otherwise enjoyed by everyone else."

Bills of Attainder have been used throughout history to control the populace by the government.

Here is a list of groups that have been affected by Bills of Attainder.

Sex Offenders
Jews in Germany
African Americans in America and Europe
Native Americans by Spaniards
Muslims by Spaniards
Native Americans by America
Jews in Egypt

I think you get the idea.

Bills of Attainder are the one means by which governments have been able to set up hierarchy. Without this tool, we would not have had the "classes" all throughout Europe and into America. One man would not be the master of another. As mentioned before, Bills of Attainder can also give rights that are not shared by everyone else. Easiest way to understand that comes from this statement: "If Congress gives a group a right, everyone else is being punished for not being part of that group."

Only when people understand how Congress does this will they be able to stop it.

Citations: FindLaw.com, Cornell University, Cummings v Missouri (1866), Ex Parte Garland (1866), US v Brown (1965), Yick Wo v Hopkins (1886), US v Lovett (1946)

A Call to Action!
Our Population approaches 1 Million, add our families and we are 3 Million Strong!

Activists Needed Now!
Laws Must Be Reformed!
Join the Fight!

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For over 17 years, the public has been mislead about facts regarding Former Sex Offenders. Every few months, new laws are proposed and enacted that strip former offenders of their civil and human rights. These laws are setting precedents that will one day affect every man woman and child in the United States.

If you are an **Activist**, a **concerned citizen**, an **RSO**, or the **family member or friend of an RSO**, we urgently need your help in this fight. The direction that lawmakers are taking regarding Former Offenders is contrary to what researchers have found to be effective and successful in dealing with this tragic and controversial subject.

To learn more facts about Former Offenders and their fight at SOSEN



Our Goals

- To Provide Victim Advocacy, Education and Support.
- To Educate the Public Regarding Sex Offender Issues and the Facts.
- To Reform Out Dated, and Promote Modern, Sex Offender Treatment programs.
- To Promote Proven Standards for dealing with Former Sex Offenders.
- To determine the necessity, if any, for the Registration of First Time Sex Offenders.
- To Educate the Public on Residency Restrictions and work for their removal.
- To Eliminate Sex Offender email and Internet Identifier Tracking in exchange for proven and documented protection for children on the Internet.
- To promote the recognition of Romeo & Juliet Convictions for what they are, young people being young people.

Facts About Former Sex Offenders.

From The Department of Justice. These are the people who are in charge of watching over the national registry. Re-offense rate averages, for auto theft -78.8%, possession/sale of stolen property -77.4%, burglary -74%, robbery -70.2%, larcenist -74.6%, **sex offenders - 3.5%. With treatment 1%.**

1/3 to 1/2 of all child molestation is committed by children themselves. The United States Department of Justice finds the age with the greatest number of offenders is 14.6 years old. 80 % of youths report having had sex by the age of 16.

The Problems:

Sex offender registration, Residency Restriction and GPS tracking, Romeo and Juliet Laws, Long mandatory minimum sentences, Civil Commitment, Electronic Identity Registration Laws, Sexting, Public Urination and non sexual crime laws that require registration.

All of these laws have proven to be ineffective, and costly.

It is time for change!

Legislators continue to push more ex post facto laws. The International Megan's Law is just one such law. The proposed law will restrict foreign travel to all former sex offenders, whether on the registry or not.

Other laws that are being proposed are internet identifier laws and GPS tracking of all RFSO's. We need every registered offender and their families to stand up and say **ENOUGH!**

*You may be asking;
What Can I do? I am just one
person.
Alone none of us can make a
change, but together we can
and will bring about the
changes necessary to fulfill our
goals.
Please Join Us Today!*